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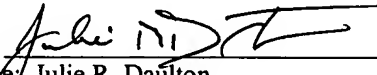
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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the International Search Report. Applicant(s) note(s) reference(s) U.S. 4,681,609; and EP 1 029 576 A1 also listed in the search report were previously cited to or by the Examiner. At least some of the references were recently cited in an International Search Report mailed July 22, 2005.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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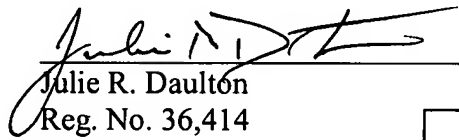
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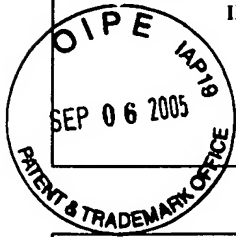
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	3,757,497	09/1973	Ray			
	4,033,732	07/1977	Axelsson et al.			
	5,555,909	09/1996	Elliott			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	689 632 A5	07/1999	CH				x
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